



# FUNDING ALERT



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## Federal Opportunities

**Foreign Language Assistance Grants.** *The Department of Education* announces funds to pay for the Federal share of the cost of innovative model programs providing for the establishment, improvement, or expansion of foreign language study for elementary and secondary school students. State and local educational agencies are eligible. The deadline is January 26, 2001. Up to 16 awards will be made to States of \$50,000 each and approximately 44 will be made to local educational agencies of \$100,000 each. For more information, contact Rebecca Richey at (202) 205-9717. Also see [www.ed.gov/news.html](http://www.ed.gov/news.html).

**Resident Opportunities and Self Sufficiency Grants to Support Public Housing Apprenticeship Activities in the Construction Trades and Public Housing Operations.** *The Department of Housing and Urban Development* announces funds for supportive services, resident empowerment activities and activities to assist residents in becoming economically self-sufficient through apprenticeships. Public Housing Authorities are the only eligible applicants. The deadline is February 26, 2001. Approximately \$3 million is available, yet a match of at least 25% is required for all applicants. For more information, contact Paula Blunt at (202) 619-8201. Also see [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov).

**Community Development Financial Institutions Fund.** *The Department of Treasury* announces funds to provide direct technical and financial assistance to entities that propose to become community development financial institutions in order to serve their target markets. Eligible applicants are emerging or expanding financial

institutions. The deadline is March 27, 2001. Approximately 70 to 100 awards will be made totaling \$10 million. For more information, contact the program manager at (202) 622-8662 or [cdfihelp@cdfi.treas.gov](mailto:cdfihelp@cdfi.treas.gov). Also see [www.treas.gov/cdfi](http://www.treas.gov/cdfi).

**Challenge America Arts Grants.** *The National Endowment for the Arts* announces funds to foster arts education and community-wide public outreach initiatives in rural or underserved areas, and to engage artists, arts organizations, and communities in partnerships to make arts central to community life. The deadline is February 1, 2001. Approximately 400 grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000 will be made and must be matched 1:1. For more information contact (202) 682-5700. Also see <http://www.arts.gov/guide/Challenge/ChallengeIndex.html>

## District Opportunities

**New! The Prostate Cancer Awareness Program.** *The DC Department of Health, Preventive Services Administration* announces the availability of funds to carry out community-based prostate cancer education and screening services within the District of Columbia. Eligible organizations must have the capability to provide both services. This is a cost reimbursement agreement for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. It is anticipated that one agreement will be negotiated to provide these services with an emphasis on Ward Four, however eligible organizations should be prepared to provide services throughout the city. For more information, contact Bill Robertson at (202) 442-5897 or [wrobertson@dchealth.com](mailto:wrobertson@dchealth.com) prior to the close of business on Friday, December 8, 2000.

**New! Evaluation of the Cohort Principles Program.** *The DC Public Schools, Office of*

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*Categorical Programs & Development* solicits applications to conduct an evaluation of the Cohort Principles Program. Applicants must be prepared to design an evaluation to measure the effectiveness of training given to a cohort of 18 award-winning principals. The deadline is December 29, 2000. A total of \$30,000 in grant funds is available to fund one organization. Applications may be obtained from 717 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. Contact (202) 727-6537. Also see [http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding\\_grants/index.shtm](http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm).

**Ryan White Title I Regional Grant.** *The Metropolitan Washington Regional HIV/AIDS Health Services Planning Council and the governments of the District of Columbia, Maryland, Northern and Northwestern Virginia and West Virginia* announce funds to expand the continuum of care and improving access to medically appropriate levels of care for HIV-infected persons. The target populations are indigent, uninsured, and under-insured persons who are HIV-infected. Service areas to be addressed include outpatient primary medical health care, specialized case management, basic life needs and other support services. The services requested will target the needs of homeless persons, gay, bisexual and transgender persons, women, children, adolescents/young adults, incarcerated, substance abusers, Latino/a and African Americans. The deadline for applications is December 15, 2000. Approximately \$15.4 million is available to fund programs in DC, \$6.4 million in Virginia, and \$4.7 million in Maryland. Applications may be obtained from the following locations:

- District of Columbia: Office of Research and Analysis, 717 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. (202) 727-6537
- Northern and Northwest Virginia: Northern Virginia Planning District Commission, 7535 Little River Turnpike, Suite 100, Annandale, VA 22003. (703) 642-4663
- Suburban Maryland: Prince George's County Health Department, 1701 McCormick Drive, Largo, MD 20774. (301) 883-7844

The RFAs for all areas can also be printed from [http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding\\_grants/index.shtm](http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm).

## **Education Professional Development Program.**

*The DC Office of Postsecondary Education, Research and Assistance* solicits applications to design a program that provides teachers with skills needed to improve the quality of instruction in mathematics and science. A pre-application conference will be held on Tuesday, December 5, 2000 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Office on Aging's Conference Room, One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Room 940 South, Washington, DC. The deadline for submitting applications is January 15, 2001. Applications may be obtained from 717 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. Contact (202) 727-6537. Also see [http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding\\_grants/index.shtm](http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm).

## **Resources & Announcements**

**Resources for Nonprofits @ Helping.org.** *The AOL Foundation and the Benton Foundation* present Helping.org, one of the best Internet portals for the nonprofit community. Key areas include volunteers, charity search, resources and bridging the digital divide. "Resources for Nonprofits" is an excellent classification of web-based sources of information on funding opportunities and management tools. Visit <http://www.helping.org/nonprofit/>.

## **Discussion Forums @ CharityChannel.com.**

*CharityChannel* is the largest online community of nonprofit professionals. CharityChannel has over 40 discussion forums that cover all aspects of nonprofit development and management. One of the forums, DCMetro@CharityChannel.com is a general discussion forum for nonprofits, foundations, and community groups in the Washington, DC metropolitan area. Search the archives for tips on grant writing and fundraising. Visit [www.CharityChannel.com](http://www.CharityChannel.com).

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